

AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT

Please amend the Abstract as follows:

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

~~This invention relates to a~~ An ammunition loading assembly (10) is disclosed for
loading a projectile (12) into a barrel (14) of a gun, ~~comprising~~ The assembly includes
an urging member (16) for urging the projectile (12) into the ~~said~~ barrel (14). ~~The~~
~~assembly (10) further includes and~~ a drive means (18) for driving the urging member
(16) between a projectile receiving position outside the barrel (14) and a projectile
delivery position inside the chamber (20) of the gun. The drive means (18) includes a
drive chain assembly (22), ~~for driving the urging member (16) between the projectile~~
~~receiving and delivery positions. The drive chain assembly (22) is rigid in all directions~~
~~but one, the arrangement being such that the drive chain assembly (22) pushes that~~
moves the urging member (16) ~~from~~ between the projectile receiving position ~~to~~ and the
projectile delivery position, so that the projectile is released just before the barrel
engraving and engraves on it's own momentum and pulls the urging member (16) from
~~the projectile delivery position to the projectile receiving position.~~ The assembly further
includes first and second chain-retaining devices (42, 44) for limiting curving of the
chain assembly and guiding the chain when moving out of the magazine.